Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Tuesday 23 May 2023 until 23:59 on Wednesday 24 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Monday 22 May 2023 at 11:48 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a mainly dry week. Medium for cloud amounts on Tuesday and Wednesday, also on Saturday.

Headline for Tuesday 23 May 2023: Dry, sunny start in east but clouding over from the west, before sunshine returns later. Fresh westerly breeze on the tops.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 23 May 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m

Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Dull	Dull	Sunny intervals	Cloudy
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	<05%	<05%	20%	20%	10%	10%

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Weather: Remaining dry. Clear periods overnight but Argyll and Lochaber turning cloudier later. A sunny start for the Trossachs and Arran, but cloud further west extending east during the morning thickening up to bring some hill fog and perhaps a few patches of drizzle. Cloud thinning and breaking in places later especially in Trossachs.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60% in east, 30% in west.

Low Cloud and visibility: Cloud at 750-900m spreading from west, locally 600m in west with moderate to good visibility below cloud. Cloud breaking again in east later.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	12/15 W	15/19 SW	18/23 SW	18/26 W	19/27 W	21/30 W	22/31 W	23/31 SW	23/31 SW
900	8/11 W	11/15 W	14/19 W	16/23 W	17/24 W	19/27 W	19/28 W	18/26 W	18/26 SW
600	8/11 SW	11/15 SW	14/19 SW	15/22 W	16/24 SW	18/26 W	18/27 W	17/24 SW	18/26 SW
300	4/7 W	6/8 SW	7/12 SW	10/16 W	11/18 W	12/21 W	11/19 W	8/15 SW	9/16 SW
Glen	4/10 W	5/10 SW	6/11 SW	8/16 W	9/18 W	10/20 W	10/19 W	6/14 SW	7/16 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-0/-5	-0/-6	0/-6	1/-5	3/-3	3/-3	3/-3	2/-4	2/-5
900	3/0	2/-2	3/-1	4/-0	6/1	6/2	6/1	5/0	4/-1
600	5/3	5/1	5/1	6/3	8/4	8/4	8/4	7/3	6/2
300	8/6	7/5	8/6	9/7	10/8	11/8	10/8	9/7	8/6
Glen	10/9	9/8	10/9	12/10	13/11	13/11	13/11	11/10	10/9
Freezing Level*	1200m	1200m	1200m	1500m	1800m	1700m	1900m	1400m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing additional.

Forecast for Wednesday 24 May 2023

Weather: Early brightness fading in morning as thicker lower cloud arrives from west bringing a little light rain or drizzle. The cloud clearing the Highlands by mid afternoon to allow some long sunny spells to return for the rest of the day, though Arran may not brighten until later.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 15-20mph gusts 25-30mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% rising 90% later.

Low Cloud and visibility: Overcast cloud at 500-750m, perhaps lower near west coast, then clearing from the north during the afternoon. Poor visibility in mist and drizzle for a time otherwise visibility away from cloud good or very good.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to Plus 16 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 6 rising to Plus 9 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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